



September 11, 2006

Never Forget

Five years ago our world changed forever. Terrorists killed thousands of innocent Americans in the worst attacks ever committed on United States soil. The World Trade Center towers fell and so did many brave firefighters and police officers who answered the call and made the ultimate sacrifice hoping others may live. The outward scars New York City still bear today pale in comparison to the inward scars of those who lost loved ones.

In our nation's capital, the Pentagon was defaced as terrorists guided a jet into the heart of the structure that houses thousands of public servants who work tirelessly to protect us all. And, let us not forget the brave souls who lost their lives on the planes that were perversely used as weapons to destroy buildings and lives. The brave passengers on United Flight 93 took a stance and gave their lives so that those on the ground may live.

September 11, 2001, was a dark day that revealed the light of patriotism that burns in all who hold our country and what it stands for dear. We were born into a new world that fateful day—a brave new world. We will never forget those who died and will always remember those who answered the call and continue to do so today.

God Bless America.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Willie W. Herenton'.

Mayor Willie W. Herenton